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Tsutomu ISHII et al.

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD TO PHOTOISOMERIZE A RECORDING LAYER WITH A POLARIZING ROTARY DEVICE (AS AMENDED)

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
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